GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
FINANCE
LOK SABHA

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. HEADING DETECTION OF WEAPONS
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Will the Minister of FINANCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether customs officials in Kochi have recently detected 47 pistols and 37 Air Guns in a container originating from Dubai;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the action taken thereon?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FINANCE (SHRI S.S.PALANIMANICKAM)

(a)&(b) Yes, Sir. The details are as below:-

On 09-01-2007, during the examination of the consignment imported by M/s. Premier Exports, Cochin, 49 numbers of Air pistols and 37 numbers of Air Rifles were found concealed inside eleven cartons of T.V. stands and one carton of lighting fixture.

(c) The air rifles and air pistols have been seized. 5 persons have been arrested for offences punishable under Section 135 of Customs Act.